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The West Randolph Herald sagely remarks that "the possibility of an extra session of the legislature has been made too remote for contemplation." We should say so.

The Burlington Free Press hits the nail on the head when it says concerning boards of trade: "A half-starved board of trade is the very poorest kind of an attraction for new industries, if indeed it is not an actual detriment in the way of new enterprises."

Secretary Proctor is trying the experiment of enlisting in the regular army the young Indian bloods, with the idea of giving them employment and keeping them out of mischief. Many of the Sioux engaged in the recent uprising will soon be in the government's troops.

Now it is Venezuela which is desirous of entering into reciprocal trade relations with the United States. Last year we bought of her merchandise, principally hides and coffee, to the amount of \$10,000,000 and sold her only \$4,000,000 worth of goods, so that the arrangement wouldn't hurt us if it didn't help her.

Farmers who have good-sized herds of cattle will profit by the late rise in beef; but it is to be feared that the low prices that have prevailed in recent years have had the effect of cutting down the herds hereabouts to a very considerable extent. It looks now as if cattle-raising might speedily become a source of large income to Vermont farmers.

The old theory that the proper business of the United States is to furnish an asylum for all the mental, moral, physical and financial wrecks of the globe is out of date. It has come to be seen that quality rather than numbers is as desirable with respect to people as to other things. The new immigration law is being vigorously enforced at New York, and that is what should be done with it.

The announcement is made that the Burlington experiment station has issued a bulletin giving analyses of fertilizers. If the bulletins could be sent out once before farmers had bought their year's stock of these articles, they would be of some use; as it is now, the paper, ink and printers' bills involved in the publication of them are as good as wasted so far as the farmers are concerned.

It is positively stated at Washington that Justices Field and Bradley of the United States supreme court will retire in October, and it is believed that Mr. Edmunds will succeed Justice Bradley. It is well known that Mr. Edmunds could have gone on the supreme bench several times during the last dozen years, had he so willed, and it may be that he would now accept a place there.

A few hitherto unheard of persons met at Rutland on Wednesday to organize the Vermont Farmers' alliance, but they decided, in view of the small attendance, not to proceed with the business. A mass meeting will be called later for the purpose. F. L. Drury, an ex-preacher and Knights of Labor agitator, was the principal speaker. He is in for the abolition of national banks, the free coinage of silver, etc., etc., to the end of the old greenback party's chapter.

A number of curious things are shown by the census returns on the railroads of New England. One is that the rate of passenger fare fell during the decade 1880-1890 from an average of 2.18 cents per mile to 1.92 cents, but this was accompanied by an increase of 98 per cent in the number of passengers carried. It is shown, too, that the railroads of this section are operated much more economically and efficiently than those of any other portion of the union.

Frank Leslie's paper makes the announcement that "not only is Mr. Blaine not a candidate [for the presidency], but under no circumstances will he consent to the use of his name. . . . Mr. Blaine, by virtue of his position, is the chief and most intimate adviser of the President. If the latter will accept re-nomination, he will have no stronger, abler and more constant supporter than his secretary of state." This utterance is supposed to be "inspired".

The Bellows Falls Times expresses its disagreement with this paper as to the effect of public funds on the schools, and adds: "We incline to the belief that our schools are injured by too much legislation rather than too much money. We believe the last change in the school law to have been a grave error, and we believe that any sweeping reversion of the present law within a period of five years would prove still more serious." If it had said that too much wrong legislation had had a bad effect upon the schools, the Times would not have been far from right, but that there can be too much of the right sort of legislation respecting them is hardly conceivable.

AN INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

The attempt which the Central Vermont railroad is making to increase its own revenues and at the same time benefit the State by letting the people of the cities know more fully than they have known hitherto the attractions of Vermont for summer visitors, will be watched with much interest. The company has issued its book designed to advertise these things, and a good book for the purpose it is. The contents include a description of the State and of the various places of noteworthy beauty reachable from the lines of the Central; articles on the flora, geology and mineralogy of the State, a synopsis of the fish and game laws, lists of excursion rates from Boston, New York and other cities to Vermont points, lists of the hotels of the State and of the family homes open to boarders, and a lot of miscellaneous information that will prove of value to intending travelers.

The scheme is altogether unlike anything of the kind ever attempted by a Vermont road, and is likely to attract here a class of visitors unlike those of former years. Heretofore the summer places advertised have been those of a high class, at least so far as prices were concerned. They could not be patronized except by the few, who could afford to pay from \$10 to \$25 a week for board. But this book makes known places where board can be had anywhere from \$3 a week up. The writer of it put the case in this wise, speaking of his book:

Go to the homes of the millionaire and milliner, to the palatial residence and the stately hall-bedroom of the poor clerk; tell the reader, should there chance to be one of the land where wealth of beauty, health and rest are free to each alike; tell of the homes adapted to the purses of both the society woman and shop-girl; ask us favors for your much-at-sea, or the altruist, whose plan you embody.

THE NEW ORLEANS AFFAIR AGAIN.

The report of the grand jury at New Orleans has been published. It finds, as the result of its investigation into the murder of the Italians by the populace, that at least three of the jurymen who heard the case of the slayers of Chief of Police Hennessy were bribed. No indictment is found against any one concerned in killing the eleven Italians. Why nothing was done in that direction is thus explained:

"The condition of affairs in this community as to a certain class of violators of the law had reached such a state that the law itself was well-nigh powerless to deal with them, so far-reaching was their power and influence in the trial of criminal cases. Good citizens were profoundly impressed by the repeated and signal failures of justice. The arts of the perjuror and briber seemed to dominate in the courts, paralyzing and rendering powerless the ends of justice. Certainly this was a desperate situation."

The grand jury say, further, that from 6000 to 8000 citizens attended the meeting at which the killing of the prisoners was determined upon, and that the magnitude of the affair "makes it a difficult task to fix the guilt upon any number of the participants—in fact, the act seemed to involve the entire people of the parish and city of New Orleans. In view of these considerations the thorough examination of the subject has failed to disclose the necessary facts to justify this grand jury in presenting indictments." With regard to the nationality of the murdered men the grand jury say that eight of them were unquestionably American citizens and one had declared his intention of becoming such. The inference is that the other two were citizens of Italy, though the jury doesn't say so.

It now remains to be seen what Italy will do. Secretary Blaine has argued, and rightly, that the federal government could not move in the matter till the State authorities had reached some conclusion. That conclusion, which seems to be a lame and impotent one at best, having been promulgated, Italy will want the federal authorities to do some-

thing. What the federal government will undertake to accomplish, if anything, is problematical, and what Italy will do if it doesn't act is equally uncertain. The situation is certainly interesting.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Don't some distinguished Vermonters wish they had been Page men last summer, though?—[St. Johnsbury Republican.]

Within the last twenty-five years there has been a large accession of very wealthy men to the United States Senate. In fact, the tendency to fill vacancies in our chief legislative body from the ranks of the very rich is a marked phenomenon of this period of our political history.—[Ludlow Tribune.]

It is stated that the removal of the New Hampshire agricultural college from Hanover to Durham has been definitely decided upon. The farming interest of that State is either fortunate or aggressive. In this connection the Free Press says that it is "not aware that Dartmouth college particularly opposed the change." No; Dartmouth college took a less selfish and more rational view of the case than does the university of Vermont in the similar controversy in this State.—[Montpelier Watchman.]

There may not be much of a boom ahead for Vermont, but there is certainly a prospect of speedy improvement in all branches of business. Money having stopped going West will begin to accumulate here very soon, and the consequence of this will be a demand for home stock, home farms and opportunities for investments in manufacturing interests. It looks as if Vermonters were ready to take hold and develop Vermont. When they do they will find in the old State plenty of opportunities and staying qualities. All branches of business in the State, which are conducted with vigilance, push, prudence and economy, pay fairly well on the investment; not quite so well, perhaps, as the swamping lots business in California, but they show better staying qualities, and, in the long run, are more satisfactory.—[Lyndon Union.]

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. F. A. Bond is in Boston this week, buying goods.

Hon. William Slade of Cleveland, O., is a guest at the Addison House.

Mr. David Piper, a well-known resident of the village, is reported dangerously ill. He is 81 years of age.

Mr. O. J. Sawyer of the freshman class at college has taken the position of organist at the Methodist church.

Prof. Yager is to make the address at the first annual meeting of the alumni association of Bakersfield academy, June 5.

Mrs. C. B. Wright, who has been at her parents' home in Akron, O., since early in March, is expected back here next week Friday.

President Brainerd went to New York last week to assist his sister, Miss Adah, in getting off for Europe, whither she has gone on a vacation trip.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Royce returned on Monday from St. Albans, where they were called two weeks ago today by the death of his father, ex-Judge Royce.

Miss Mary, daughter of the late George L. Linsley, Esq., of Burlington, is visiting at Mrs. E. W. Linsley's. She has just come from the South, where she passed the winter.

Mr. F. H. Denning, who has been clerk at the Addison House since Mr. Rider resumed charge of it, went the other day to Adams, Mass., where he is to have charge of a hotel. Mr. Ira Doty of Bridport is for the present clerk at the Addison.

Mr. W. A. Bedell has been in New York the past two weeks. He went down to take a position in the office of Mr. Wallace of Wallace's Monthly fame, but the recent changes in that establishment may have necessitated a change in his plans.

Miss Susan E. Archibald, who has taught a school at Pittsford the past year, is in town. Her parents, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Archibald, have been in Greeley, Col., since last fall, but it is understood that they will return to their home here shortly.

C. M. Wilds, Esq., has been in Burlington all the week, assisting in the trial of the railroad case on which he has been engaged for three weeks. On Tuesday he made a four-hours' argument to the jury. He expected to get home yesterday or today.

An item in the Brattleboro correspondence of the Springfield Republican reads: "F. B. Hyde has finished his pastorate over the Congregational church at Wilmington, and is temporarily staying in Newbury before completing his studies in the Yale divinity school."

Col. and Mrs. T. M. Chapman and their two daughters arrived home from the South on Thursday evening last. They had a pleasant trip, aside from the illness of the young ladies with measles at Charleston, but they still think Vermont is about as good as any section of the country, especially in summer.

Mr. Julius Williamson, who was hurt in a runaway last week, is about the streets, though his face is still much swollen. The younger of his two daughters who were injured at the same time is able to sit up a little and the older is

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